

Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting
September 17, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.
Municipal Building
90 N. West Street
Spencer, IN 47460

Board Members present: Michael Spinks and Dean Bruce and Jon Stantz.

Also, present Town Attorney Richard Lorenz, Street Superintendent Larry Parrish, Tony Floyd, and Chief Marshal Rich Foutch were present. Sewer Superintendent John Hodge and Clerk-Treasurer Cheryl Moke were both absent.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jon Stantz made a motion to accept the previous minutes as written. The motion was seconded and passed.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC ISSUES

Marcie King, with the Owen County Bicentennial Committee made a presentation to the Council about the 200th anniversary of our county. She requested that they be able to have a firework display next July on the property between the YMCA and Walmart. The council state they had no objection, but they should also get approval from the county. After they have approval, it was suggested they come back in 2019 with an event request form, and proof of insurance to get formal approval. The next request Ms. King made was to be able to put banners up in the downtown area, promoting the bi-centennial. Mike Spinks suggested she get in contact with the other groups, i.e., Main Street and Rob White, to coordinate what and where these banners can be located. When they come up with a design, and schedule, it will have to be approved by the Town Council.

Next, the bids were opened for the Community Crossings project. The bid from Milestone Construction was for \$583,303.50. The second bid from E&B Paving was for \$640,438.

Larry Parrish noted that certain work was not detailed on the Milestone bid that was detailed on E&B Paving, but they have generally perform those items in the past as part of their work.

Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the bid from Milestone. The motion was seconded and approved.

Next, Resolution 2018-11, A Resolution Granting a Tax Abatement for Real Estate and Personal Property for World Arts, Inc. along with Forms SB-1 Tax Abatement for both real and personal property were presented for approval.

Dean Bruce made a motion to adopt the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded and passed.

Jon Stantz made a motion to authorize the board president to sign the SB-1 Tax Abatement forms. The motion was seconded and passed.

Jon Stantz next made a motion to approve a Memo of Understanding between World Arts, Inc. and The Town of Spencer. It will have standard language consistent with Brown-Forman agreement. (The MOU is still to be prepared and will be signed at a future meeting.) The motion was seconded and passed.

Sheriff Hobbs reported he had "Crime Watch" signs that he would like to put in various places around Spencer. Normally, they are placed on back of stop signs, and he will place them where we choose at no cost to the Town.

Invoices from HWC for Sidewalk improvements were presented for approval. The invoices total \$6,167.16, and they are related to inspection for the Safe Routes to School Project.

Jon Stantz moved to approve invoices 2017-165-005, and 006 for the amount mention. The motion was seconded and passed.

A closeout document was presented for signing for this project. The project has been complete as agreed upon with INDOT.

Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the closeout documents be signed. The motion was seconded and approved.

IN THE MATTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Foutch reported that he would bring an estimate from JTN to complete the equipment package on the new vehicle to the board at the next meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT

Mike Spinks nominated Tony Floyd to be interim street superintendent until a new one is hired. Dean Bruce seconded, and the nomination passed.

Tony Floyd asked if he could begin hiring the temporary leafers for this season. He got the board's approval.

He also reported a request from OCCS that if there was a disaster, would the Street Dept. be willing to bring heavy equipment to block the roads surrounding the schools. The Board agreed to this.

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT

John Hodge was absent. Jon Stantz read his report.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY

Richard Lorenz reported his progress on the updated ordinances and personnel policy.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

Both generators were installed at the Municipal Building and the Street Department.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

New electronic signs are scheduled for delivery next week.

Jon Stantz said he would petition INDOT to reduce the speed limit beyond Walmart, from 50 to 35. New construction out there for the health center, the school, and other businesses has caused this to be a traffic problem at that speed.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Claims were presented and approved.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

/s/ Michael Spinks
Mike Spinks, President

/s/ Dean Bruce
Dean Bruce, Vice-President

/s/ Jon Stantz
Jon Stantz, Member

Attest Cheryl Moke
Cheryl Moke, Clerk-Treasurer